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May 23, 2011

Mr. Stan Johnson, Area Engineer  
c/o Missouri Dept. of Transportation  
Sikeston, MO 63801

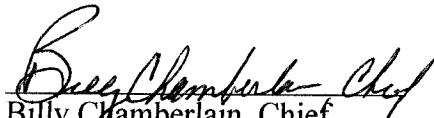
Dear Mr. Johnson,


As members of the Catron Volunteer Fire Department, we would all like to thank you for your hard work and dedication to the citizens of New Madrid County during the flooding that occurred in recent weeks.

Please know that the efforts of so many of your road crews are truly appreciated. We interacted with your personnel from Malden, Kewanee, and Portageville, as their respective areas came together near Catron. They were all professional and courteous to us, and they assisted us in getting the "Road Closed" signs we needed.


We recognize that this flood was a disaster most of us have never seen before, and hope to never see again. We also thank you for allowing us to assist you, in a very small way, by manning the roadblocks in Catron during that critical week of May 2-6, 2011, when our town became a "dead end" as all routes eastward were closed. We only hope that this may have prevented some motorists from taking unnecessary risks, especially when traveling over water-covered roads at night. Please also know that we are here to help out in any capacity that you may ask of us.


Thank you,

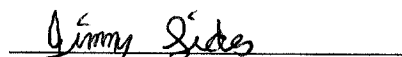
  
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